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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: PROJECT III-1.1
INTERGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING LETTER FROM DR. C.I. HARRIS, US
CHAIRMAN FOR AREA III TO DR. I.A. CHURAYEV, HEAD, PLANT
PROTECTION DIVISION, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, 1/11 ORLIKOV,
MOSCOW WITH COPY TO KUVSHINNIKOV OF HYDROMET:

2. QUOTE: DEAR DR. CHURAYEV: I AM WRITING TO PROVIDE MORE
DETAILS ON OUR PROGRAM OF COOPERATION UNDER THE US-USSR
ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT, AREA III, PREVENTION OF POLLUTION
ASSOCIATED WITH AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AS NOTED IN THE
MEMORANDUM OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE DECEMBER 12, 1974.

WE PROPOSE TO SEND TWO SCIENTISTS FOR FIVE MONTHS, ONE
ENTOMOLOGIST AND ONE PLANT PATHOLOGIST. THE PLANT
PATHOLOGIST IS DR. DONALD H. PETERSEN, PROFESSOR,
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY PARK, PENNSYLVANIA.
HIS MAJOR INTEREST IS IN DECIDUOUS FRUIT AND HE HAS
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EXTENSIVE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE IN INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT
IN ORCHARDS. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW BY LETTER
FROM DR. B.G. TWEEDY. PROPOSED TIME OF HIS VISIT IS JUNE Q
THROUGH NOVEMBER 30. PROPOSED LOCATIONS ARE: FIRST CHOICE AT

THE ALL UNION INSTITUTE FOR PLANT PROTECTION AT LENINGRAD (PUSHKIN); SECOND CHOICE THE UKRANIAN INSTITUTE FOR PLANT PROTECTION AT KIEV.

SELECTION OF AN ENTOMOLOGIST TO SPEND FIVE MONTHS IN THE USSR BEGINNING IN JUNE 1975 HAS NOT BEEN MADE, BUT SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN 10 DAYS.

TO INITIATE THE PROGRAM OF JOINT EXPERIMENTS WE PROPOSE TO CONDUCT A COOPERATIVE PROGRAM OF LOW VOLUME APPLICATIONS OF PESTICIDES ON DECIDUOUS FRUITS. PRIMARILY APPLES, PEARS AND CHERRIES. THE US EXPERIMENTS WOULD BEGIN ON MAY 20, 1975 AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN MICHIGAN WITH DR. ANGUS J. HOWITT, COOPERATOR. DETAILS OF THIS PROPOSAL WILL FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY IN A LETTER FROM DR. B.G. TWEEDY

WE LOOK FORWARD TO AN EARLY RESPONSE CONCERNING DR. PETERSEN AND THE JOINT EXPERIMENT SO THAT WE CAN PROCEED WITH THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS.

AT THE REQUEST OF MR. GENNADIY V. DMITRIEV AT THE SOVIET TRADE REPRESENTATION, WE HAVE CONTACTED INSTITUTIONS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS FOR DR. SMETNIK'S PROPOSED VISIT TO THE US FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING PREDATORS AND PARASITES TO THE COLORADO POTATO BEETLE LEPTINOTARSA DECEMLINEATA: CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA; FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS; BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND WITH A TRIP TO THE EASTERN SHORE OF VIRGINIA; COLUMBIA, MISSOURI; FORT COLLINS, COLORADO; YAKIMA, WASHINGTON; BELTSVILLE MARYLAND; LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK; AND ORONO, MAINE. WE PROPOSE AN ITINERARY LISTED IN THAT ORDER DURING THE PERIOD MAY 25 TO JULY 20, 1975. WE ARE REQUESTING THAT DR. SMETNIK BRING THE FOLLOWING BIOLOGICALL SPECIMENS WITH HIM:

1. THE PARASITES (BRUCHOCTONUS SENEX) AND TRIASPIS (?) TURACICUS OF THE PEA WEEVIL - BRUCHUS PISORUM;
2. THE NEMATODE HEXAMERMIS ALBICANSN, ANDTELENOMUS LAEVIUSCULUS, UNCLASSIFIED

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OOENCYRTUS TARDUS - PARASITES TO THE GYPSY MOTH LYMONTRIA DISPAR; 3. ANY PARASITES FOR THE GREEN BUG (SCHIZAPHIS GRAMINUM); AND 4. LYDELLA THOMPSONI A PARASITE TO THE EUROPEAN CORN BORER (OSTRINIA NUBILALIS) (HUBNER).

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS PROPOSAL FOR DR. SMETNIK.
SINCERELY. CLARE I. HARRIS. UNQUOTE

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